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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tojo et al.
Serial Number: 08/627,270
U.S. Filing Date: April 4, 1996
Group Art Unit: 3726
Examiner: J. Gorski
Title: "Method and Machine for Forming Protective Film
on Sprayed Coating of Large-Sized Product"

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AMENDMENT-D

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated June 7, 1999, please amend
above-identified application as follows.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows.

- 1 20. (thrice amended) A vehicle manufacturing method [for forming] involving
2 formation of a protective film on a paint-finished automobile using strippable paint, the
3 method comprising the steps of:
4 painting the automobile so that it is paint-finished;
5 coating strippable paint on a painted surface of the paint-finished automobile; and
6 then assembling the paint-finished automobile by mounting an engine and functional
7 parts thereto, while said strippable paint remains coated on the painted surface.
1 26. (Thrice amended) [A] The method [for forming a protective film on a paint-